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1. The training of reserve officers in the duties of the quartermaster branch began in Gdansk (Danzig) in April 1954. One afternoon per month is devoted to this. The subjects studied are treated as secret. All notes made during the lectures by the students are collected at the conclusion of the lecture, and are placed in a steel cupboard on the WKR (Military Regional Command) premises. They are handed back to the students at the beginning of the next lecture.
2. The subjects studied so far are supplies and the distribution of units in requisitioned houses on mobilization. The following regulations were studied.
 - a. Army units in time of war must carry with them rations for two days only. Rations are obtained by local requisitioning. Unconsumed rations are sent to the rear. When a unit is unable to obtain rations by requisitioning, supplies are obtained from stores at the base. The rule to be observed is that all transport which carries ammunition, war equipment, rations, etc., from the rear to units at the front must not return empty. Equipment taken from the enemy must be sent immediately to the rear.
 - b. Units which are mobilized at the time of a threat of war will not be quartered in barracks but in private houses among the civilian residences. This is in order to lessen the risk of heavy casualties from enemy bombardment.

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3. Mobilization parties (Związki Mobilizacyjne) exist in peace time which draw up plans for the reception of units, from a regiment upwards, in the event of mobilization. Each party consists of one officer and five to seven noncommissioned officers. The duties of these parties include maintaining a record of buildings to be requisitioned on mobilization and the necessary requisition orders, and also making arrangements for storing equipment, and supplies and parking transport. In the vicinity of Gdynia such parties exist at Oliwa (ul. Partizantow), Sopot, and Wejherowo.

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